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Prior to issuance, please correct the Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance in the above-captioned patent application, as set forth below:

The Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance apparently inadvertently indicates that claims 3, 5, 7, 8 and 9 "remain rejected..." According to the Notice of Allowability, however, claims 1-10 have been allowed. Therefore, the Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance should be corrected/clarified to indicate that the rejection of claims 3, 5, 7, 8 and 9 has been withdrawn.

Favorable consideration prior to issuance is respectfully requested.

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